

# A Missionary-Minded British Baptist Pioneered World-Travel

## Thos. Cook, Who Had To Leave School At 10, Was Born 150 Years Ago

More people than ever travel either for business or pleasure within their own land or voyage over the seas of the world. Few give a thought to the man—a Baptist—who was the pioneer of travel for the millions.

Thos. Cook—he insisted on the abbreviation of his Christian name—was born at Melbourne, Derbyshire, 150 years ago, on November 22, 1808. His father died when he was four, and he had to leave school at 10 to become a gardener for a day. Later, he was apprenticed to an uncle, a woodworker.

Deeply religious, he finally found a more congenial task, and an outlet for his spiritual fervor and physical restlessness in the service of the General Baptist Association of Rutland as an evangelist. Means of transport were limited, and he walked over 2,000 miles in one year.

### Temperance Cause

In 1838, Father Mathew of Dublin signed the pledge, and advocated a policy which spread all over Ireland like wild fire. Visiting London in 1843, the movement attracted much attention in this country, and Thos. became greatly interested in this new Temperance Cause. Under its auspices, a public meeting was arranged at Loughborough, and his mind was much occupied with the problem of getting as many as possible to attend.

Roads were bad, and there was little communication even between one village and the next. But on June 9, 1841, he read in the local paper as he walked 15 miles from Market Harborough to Leicester to attend a temperance meeting that an extension of the railway between Nottingham and Derby was completed. The great idea struck him with excitement—later, he called it an inspiration. Would not the attraction of something altogether new, a ride in a railway train with others of like sympathies ensure the success of this more ambitious gathering at Loughborough?

### First Excursion Train

Greatly daring, he wrote to the Midland Company and asked for a special train. Instead of ignoring the request of a young man without financial backing the secretary replied, "I know nothing of either you or your Society but you can have your train."

So on July 5, 1841, the first ever advertised excursion by train made history. It carried 570 passengers, 12 miles and back for one shilling, and was a huge success. John, aged seven, helped his father and thus was born the firm of Thos. Cook & Son.

Enquiries and requests for similar facilities poured in upon him from other organizations, and he arranged many trips for Sunday schools and churches. It soon became a full-time job and he removed to Leicester as a regular travel agent.

His grand opportunity came in 1851, when the Great Exhibition promoted by the Prince Consort in the interests of World Peace was held in Hyde Park. This was something after his own heart. An excursion train left Leicester every morning at five, and to make it possible for the town workers to go, he started travel clubs. Thousands joined and paid for the journey to London, admission to the Exhibition, and board on arrival. When the season ended, this tiny establishment had issued 165,000 tickets. It was necessary to remove his headquarters to the metropolis.

### Travel and the Gospel

Always at the back of his mind was the conviction that travel was one of the ways in which the Gospel could be spread. He never undervalued the financial reward of his efforts, but he felt he was doing something to further the interests of the Kingdom of God.

Planned tours to Paris for the less wealthy—only the rich could afford the Grand Tour—followed. He fixed up hotels, and arranged an itinerary with meticulous care, including all the places of interest. His first party numbered 578.

Switzerland welcomed him with open arms, allowed him to issue his own tickets, and promised to provide the cleanest and most comfortable hotels in Europe.

Sometimes his most carefully-drawn plans were threatened with disaster. But he never broke his word. Once the hotel in Rome booked for 50 in Holy Week filled up with wealthier guests. Cook hired the Palace of Prince Torlonia for £500 and provided meals in neighboring hosteries. He delighted clients voluntarily subscribed half the cost.

Possibilities of visiting the sacred sites of Palestine soon filled his mind. He thought the faith of professing Christians would be strengthened, and that others might be won for Christ if they could follow in the earthly steps of the Master. Overcoming well-nigh incredible difficulties, he made treaties with the Bedouin chiefs who promised never to molest his parties—and they kept their word.

### World Tour

At 64, he still cherished the hope that international peace and good will could be fostered by bringing the peoples of the world together. So in 1872, he sailed from Liverpool with companions representing Britain, Russia, America and Greece. On this first world tour, the journey lasted 222 days, and he sent frequent letters to The Times relating his unique experiences. No such adventure had ever been dreamed before.

Innumerable tours were arranged to more and more parts of the world. Then retiring from active participation in the now gigantic concern, he left the business to his sons and (Continued on Page 2)

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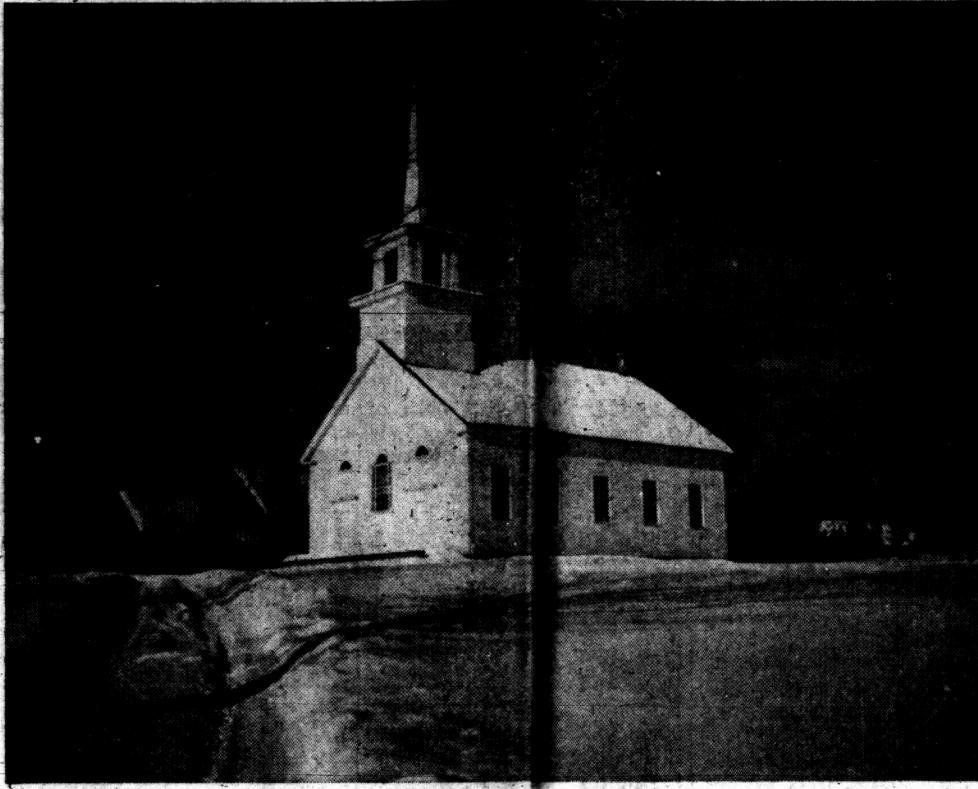
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## World Missions Rallies Ready



THE PLACE OF PRAYER—“... let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.” —Paul, Philippians 4:6, 7 (H Armstrong Roberts photo)

## Asian Baptist Women Unite

CALCUTTA, India—(BWA) —Heaven must be something like this,” said a tiny lady with smiling black eyes, wearing flowers in her hair.

Such was the reaction of 35 delegates from eight countries gathered in Calcutta, November 8-13, for the first assembly of Asian Baptist women.

There were folk from Hawaii, the Philippines, Japan, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Burma, Ceylon and India. They said themselves that previously all these names had been merely names. Now they are countries where friends dwell, and where “we actually know our own Baptist people.”

“I was afraid of such a long plane ride,” said Mrs. Lillian Wong of Hong Kong. Others also admitted some initial hesitation when the Women’s Department of the Baptist World Alliance proposed such a gathering, but none could really resist such an unheard of opportunity. Unlike women of the West who travel here and there, this was a new door to Baptist women of the East. So by train

and plane they came to the British Baptist Mission, Calcutta, a place, along with Singapore, hallowed by memories of William Carey.

### One In Christ

Mrs. George Martin of the U. S. A., chairman of the Women’s Department of the Baptist World Alliance, was able through love to gather these women from such varied backgrounds of habit, accomplishments, tragedy and hope, into one family. The very first session, during which each group,

by tiny dramas, showed how friends are received in their country, revealed their common humanity. Nor were they unmindful that somewhere in the world, women of large hearts had made this coming together financially possible.

“We are one in Christ,” was the phrase most often on their lips. Some had been Hindus,

and some Buddhists, but all had experienced a great change in their lives. Christ had become central, and therefore they were kindred to all of like faith.

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## Names In The News

Dr. Landrum P. Leavell in December celebrated his second anniversary as pastor of First Church, Gulfport.

Rev. and Mrs. Bob Hunt of Hebron Church in Lauderdale County announce the arrival of a daughter, Alice Esther.

Rev. Allen Webb has accepted the pastorate of the Marion Church in Lauderdale County.

Rev. Roland Barber has been called as pastor of Fellowship (Lauderdale). The church is building a new pastorum.

John Cook has accepted the pastorate of the South Side Church, Columbus.

Tom Strong is leaving Poplar Springs in Lauderdale Association to go to Park View Church, Portsmouth, Va.

J. C. Wells, after 12 years and 10 months of service, has resigned as Superintendent of Missions of the New Orleans Baptist Association. Rev. John Gilbert of Henner, La., formerly of Mississippi, is Chairman of the association's Missions Committee.

Chaplain Kenneth J. Nettles, formerly in the Azores, is Wing Chaplain, Keesler Air Force Base, Miss. He is author of *The Supernatural Origin of the Bible*, published by Exposition Press. He is a Baptist and a native of Louisiana.

Rev. and Mrs. James P. Gilbert, Southern Baptist missionaries to Ecuador, have moved from Guayaquil to Quito, where their address is Casilla 503, Quito, Ecuador. Mr. Gilbert is a native of Marion County, Mississippi.

Rev. and Mrs. John R. Couch, Southern Baptist missionary appointees to Jordan, have sailed for Lebanon, where they will attend language school before going to their permanent field of service. Their address is Baptist Mission, Box 2026, Beirut, Lebanon. Mr. Couch grew up in Tupelo.

W. L. (Bill) Barton has resigned the pastorate of First Church, Satsuma, Alabama to accept the pastorate of Jackson Avenue Church, Pascagoula.

George D. Crawford led the 45-voice Youth Choir of Temple Church, Hattiesburg, on Sunday evening, December 28, as they brought a program of music at the Manhattan Baptist Church of New York City.

M. R. Cooper, 82, native of Mississippi, retired again is launching into a business, a book store which opened December 15 in Pulaski, Virginia. He will handle all types of books with special emphasis on rare books that are out of print.

Rev. Armond D. Taylor of Memphis has been called as pastor of the Mt. Zion Church in Desoto Association.

Rev. George Carver has resigned as pastor at Walls (Desoto).

Rev. Ed Connally of New Prospect Church in Desoto County has resigned the pastorate there.

Dr. U. K. Perego pastor will bring a message honoring three retiring deacons at Calvary Church, Meridian; Rev. W. Otis Seal, pastor, on Sunday, January 4. C. E. Reeves, W. D. Martin, and B. F. Birdsong have served as deacons for a total of 111 years. Dr. Perego will also teach at Calvary the book "Gospel of Mark," during January 5-8, Bible Study Week.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat (B. A., Jr.) Clendinning, Southern Baptist missionary appointees to Europe, have left the States for their field of service. Their address is Baptist Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon - Zurich, Switzerland. Mr. Clendinning will teach at the seminary. Both are natives of Mississippi, he of McComb and she, the former Monte McMahan, of Batesville.



The above 24 young people were named as missionaries by the Foreign Mission Board at its December meeting.

## Foreign Board Names 24 At Dec. Meet

These missionaries brought the number of appointments for the year to 137 and the number of active foreign missionaries to 1,288. They are (left to right):

First row — Stanley Crabb, Jr., and Patricia Maddux Crabb, both of Kentucky, appointed for Italy; Wayne E. Emanuel, Oklahoma, and Mary Lou Massengill Emanuel, Kentucky, for Japan; C. Hudson Fewell, North Carolina, and Jean Christy Fewell, Arkansas, for Ghana.

Second row — James T. Lochridge, Georgia, and Mary Frances Manuel Lochridge, North Carolina, for the Philippines; Leslie G. Keyes, Louisiana, and Naomi Lucas Keyes, Missouri, for Honduras; Donald J. Richards and Shari Sherman Richards, both of Texas, for North Brazil; Virgil H. Moorefield, Jr., and Jane Richardson Moorefield, both of Kentucky, for Italy. Third row

— Charles E. Evans, Georgia,

and Elizabeth Young Evans,

Alabama, and Phyllis Anne Coffman Grubbs, Kansas, for Indonesia; Alfred L. Davis, Jr., and

Ellen Martin Davis, both of Georgia, for Hong Kong; and

Kenneth R. Thompson, Louisi-

ana, and Mary Smith Thompson, Arkansas, for Korea.

A full story on the appointment of Dr. and Mrs. Grubbs of Charleston, Miss., was carried in last week's paper,

## 600 Pay Tribute To Hays

By Caspar Nannes

WASHINGTON, D. C. — (BP) — More than 600 friends representing all shades of political affiliation and religious adherence paid tribute here to Rep. Brooks Hays, Democrat of Arkansas, at the Willard Hotel.

The dinner was given for Hays on his leaving Congress after serving 16 years as representative from the fifth district of Arkansas.

It was tendered against a background of headlines today predicting a bitter wrangle in the next Congress over Hays's defeat by Dr. Dale Alford of Little Rock, Ark., in the Nov. 4 election.

A special house election committee a few hours before recommended that Dr. Alford be kept from taking his seat on Jan. 7 until charges of irregularities in the election, won by Rep. Hays, he said, those the former

last minute write-in campaign, be investigated.

But speakers at the dinner

dwelt more upon the contributions Hays, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, made to Congress and the nation rather than upon the pending political squabble.

Cranford Keynoter

Clarence W. Cranford, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church here and a former president of the American Baptist Convention, keyed the evening's theme by declaring in his invocation

"We pray for all men who have a choice between principle and political expediency."

Rep. Hays, he said, those the former

course and lot.

Telegrams from Vice President Nixon, Democratic candidate in 1952 and 1956 Presidential candidate Adlai Stevenson, and Sen. John F. Kennedy, Democrat of Massachusetts, among others emphasized the loss to the nation in Hays's defeat.

Sen. Mike Monroney, Democrat of Oklahoma, told the gathering "We pay tribute to a modern hero who in temporary defeat has won lasting spiritual victory . . . A pre-fabricated sticker may mutilate a ballot but it can never mutilate his integrity."

"Hays has lost nothing," Sen. Monroney contended. "It is the nation and his colleagues in Congress who are the losers. They have lost a marvellous Christian leader."

Former chairman of the house foreign affairs committee James P. Richards said "There is no disposition to question the right of Arkansas to send whomever it wishes to Congress . . . I am sorry some people may use Brooks Hays's name and fame for political motives. Hays would never be a party to such a practice. He is charitable to all men."

Evangelist Billy Graham predicted Hays's defeat will give him greater opportunity to serve the nation and greater influence.

Graham Speaks

"I am convinced that this temporary defeat has already been turned into a triumphant victory for Brooks Hays," he asserted. "Because of his exceptionally outstanding ability, Christian character, and qualifications, he has become a world figure. I feel he is destined to play an important role in the

future as we face the many problems that trouble the South and harass the entire world."

Declaring Hays has "The overwhelming support of the people of his denomination," Graham praised the Congressman for keeping to "the middle of the road" rather than yielding to extremists on either side of the integration question.

Mrs. Oswald B. Lord, member of the United States mission to the United Nations, cited Hays's contributions to the international organization and paid tribute to his qualities as a man.

"The country needs Hays's combination of humor and humanity," she said. "Wherever he goes he always leaves an indelible imprint."

Darden Presided

Colgate W. Darden, president of the University of Virginia and former governor of Virginia, presided. He also served in Congress with Hays.

In his reply, the Arkansas Congressman insisted the cause of moderation in the South was not hopeless, despite his defeat. He then pointed out four rules the "just and prudent" should observe in advancing their cause:

1. "An appreciation of what the rule of law means in sustaining our liberties and our

the digner.

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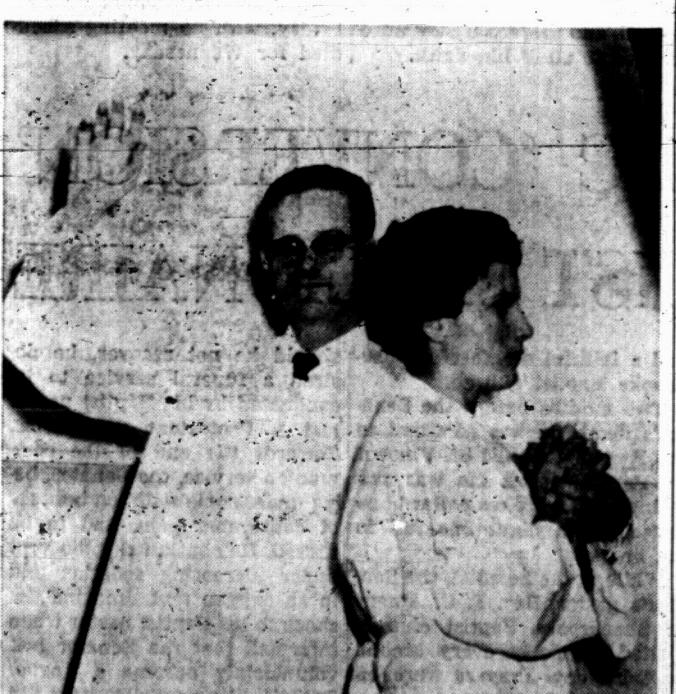
General Gordon, with a small garrison, was besieged in Khartoum in 1898. The British Government had no adequate resources, and fell back upon the good offices of the firm to move a relief force of 18,000 troops, 130,000 tons of stores, and 70 tons of coal from Britain to the beleaguered fort. They did the business with extraordinary success but they were called in too late, and could not arrive in time. Parliament gave them its cordial thanks.

Thos., now 76, whose religious life deepened with age, watched with painful anxiety the progress of this expedition, and was greatly grieved to learn of the tragic death of the devoted Christian General.

Gladstone's Tribute

In 1892, five years after his death at 84, unstinted praise was given to this pioneer of world travel by Gladstone: "Among humanizing agencies of the age, none is due to a system founded by Cook; and now largely in use under which numbers of people, and indeed, whole classes have for the first time found easy access to foreign countries, and have acquired some of that familiarity with them which breeds not contempt but kindness."

The vast organization which began with the young man who walked to Leicester in June, 1841, has now been nationalized and taken over by the British Transport Commission.



ANNIVERSARY DEDICATION — The Trinity Church, Biloxi, observed the second anniversary of the pastor, Rev. Clarence H. Cutrell, on December 7, with the dedication and first use of the new baptistry. The baptistry and an adjoining dressing room was constructed at a cost of \$3000.00. The first candidates were Miss Nancy Kopp, shown in photo, and during the afternoon a tea was given for the pastor and his family by the members of the WMS. Trinity Church is now in its seventh year and its total membership has reached 425.

Expository preaching and expository Bible studies will be the heart of the third annual Pastors' Conference to be held June 22-26 at Southwestern Baptist Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

The program of Bible study, preaching, worship, conferences, and fellowship has been designed to serve as a "refreshing course" for pastors. Sessions will be held in the air-conditioned Preaching Chapel of Scarborough Hall.

By popular request, two Bible study periods have been planned. Dr. Ray Summers, professor of New Testament, will open the program each day with the

New Testament studies. Dr. Ralph L. Smith, professor of Old Testament, will lead the Old Testament studies, using the book of Haggai and emphasizing Haggai the preacher.

Special Study

Each morning session will close with a special study of expository preaching under direction of C. W. Scudder, professor of Christian Ethics, Southwestern Seminary, Box 22000, Fort Worth 15, Texas.

## Prayer Service Set

## For New Year's Eve

DALLAS — (BP) — "More than two million Southern Baptists will begin their 1959 Evangelism Year with special prayers New Year's Eve," said Leonard Sanderson, evangelism secretary for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

"Surveys show that approximately one-fourth of Southern

Baptist church members will take part in the end of year prayer services," said Sanderson.

Next year has been proclaimed a first-time year of simultaneous evangelistic crusades by six major North American Baptist groups. The SBC baptismal goal for the year is 525,000. This is an increase of more than 100,000 over 1958 baptisms.

Eight thousand SBC churches have indicated that they will conduct simultaneous revival services during geographic zone dates of either March 29 or April 12-26.

### L. M. Pitts Dies In Pontotoc

Luther Martin Pitts died December 2 at the Pontotoc Community Hospital.

The son of the late Jake Pitts and Bessie Grant Pitts, and grandson of Joshua Pitts, a pioneer preacher, Mr. Pitts was born in Pontotoc County May 7, 1875. He spent most of his life in the Cherry Creek community where he was a successful farmer.

He had been deacon of the Cherry Creek Baptist Church for 40 years and church treasurer for 35 years.

In 1901 he was married to Miss Pernie Ann Caldwell.

Funeral services were conducted December 3 at Cherry Creek Church with his pastor, Rev. R. B. Deline, and a former pastor, Dr. Wilfred C. Tyler of Blue Mountain, officiating. Interment was in Cherry Creek Cemetery.

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### Catholic

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of the hospital staff — all Roman Catholics.

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Always A Protestant

If the Baptists of Sherbrooke were surprised and shocked at the Senator's reputed "conversion," it might be well to note, to the credit of a great many Roman Catholic lay people, that they were incensed concerning the whole affair. They felt it did not reflect well upon their church or its clergy.

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# Newsweek Magazine Reports

## "Televangelism" To Nation

The nation's secular press has again shown interest in the new evangelistic effort by television. "Televangelism 1959" . . . which opens January 4th. Recently the nation's two news-wire-services, the A.P. and the U.P.I., reported on the coming program.

Now, NEWSWEEK, the national news magazine with a circulation of more than 1 1/4 million, has reported on "Televangelism" in the December 8th issue. Headed, "Now Televangelism," the article is featured as the "lead story" in the Religion department of the magazine and covers approximately half of the page devoted to that section.

The first nation-wide, cooperative evangelistic effort ever based on television, "Televangelism 1959" opens Sunday, January 4th. It inaugurates a new, modern method designed to lead a great spiritual revival involving Baptists of all six major Conventions of North America.

**Catches Interest**  
The method, catch the interest of the unchurched television viewer with a good, dramatic story that deals with a serious modern-day problem. Awaken his heart and conscience with this dramatic illustration, showing him that the message of Christ can help him solve his daily living problems and lead him to new happiness. Then add the personal witness of a Christian to assure that unchurched viewer of the blessings of accepting Christ, and to lead him to the guidance of church life.

This is the heart of "Televangelism 1959", presenting 13 new dramas in the nationally known television series "This Is The Answer". For 13 Sundays beginning January 4th, the new television dramas will be presented on key stations throughout the nation. Through the cooperation of the six Conventions, Baptists in those areas will hold "viewing parties" in their homes. They will invite unchurched friends and acquaintances to join them in viewing the drama, and discussing the Christian message; or they will at least 100,000 new Christians. This new concept . . . "Televangelism 1959" . . . launches the 5-year Baptist Jubilee Advance and prepares the ground for the spring's Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusades. Cooperating in this first joint effort since 1845 are: Southern Baptist Convention; American Baptist Convention; National Baptist Convention USA, Inc.; Canadian Baptist Convention; North American Baptist General Conference.

**Home Board Cooperation**  
Coordinating activities for "Televangelism 1959" is the Evangelism Department of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board. Materials to participating churches and Association committees in the TV cities are provided by the Radio-TV Commission. Materials offer suggestions to congregation members to guide them in the home viewing parties and follow-through in

personal witnessing.

The television series "This Is The Answer" is produced by the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission under the supervision of Dr. Paul M. Stevens, director. Dramatic films are made in Hollywood without writing, acting and production talent, and are based on well-known passages or parables from the Bible.

to their own problems of living today. Television drama, he points out, is a way to attract the attention of the unchurched who would probably avoid a "preachy" religious program.

### Tchula Building Drive Successful

The Tchula Church had a special Building Fund Drive December 7. The Sunday School made this high attendance day and had 199 in Sunday School. The Sunday School offering went for the support of the budget of the church.

The Building Fund offering at the morning service was \$3,625.00. Following the service the church served a turkey dinner to all present. 301 plates were served.

The church recently voted to build a new pastorum and hopes to get started on this at an early date. Rev. Roy D. Radin is the pastor.

### On Turtles

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—A Roman Catholic teaching nun was given a \$1,500 fellowship to further her research into the question of why sea turtles don't grow old.

### Hattiesburg Church Presents Cantata

On Wednesday evening, December 17, Immanuel Baptist Church of Hattiesburg, Mississippi, presented the 93 voices of combined choirs in a Christmas cantata, "The Babe of Bethlehem" by Bernard Hamben. The program was opened with the reading of scripture and prayer by the pastor, C. B. Hamlet, III.

Narrations by Buck Ward were given as each part of the Christmas story was told by the choirs, and as the story in song progressed, specially prepared murals were displayed above the choirs from the baptistry which was flooded with colored lights.

### Five Choirs

In addition to the numbers by the five choirs singing both individually and in combination, there were solos by Mrs. C. B. Hamlet, Mrs. Carl Edwards, and Mrs. Herman Andrews. From the various ensembles in the Music Department the ladies sextet from the Church Choir (Mrs. A. G. English, Mrs. Bill Latham, Mrs. C. B. Hamlet, Mrs. James Hager, Mrs. Herman Andrews, Mrs. Bob Alston) and the mixed quartet from the Chapel Choir (June Pettus, Louise Bass, Ron Stewart, Louis Rea) also participated in the program.

Bill Latham, Minister of Music, conducted.

### Mt. Pleasant Goes Full-Time

The Mt. Pleasant Church, Amite County, has made progress in the short time Rev. Marvin Crim has been their pastor.

"He is making us a good pastor," Mrs. Curtis Rollins reports, "and we have gone from half time to full time. We have had six new members added by letter and one by baptism. We are real glad the Lord sent him our way."

AT SEA—Mr. John R. Couch, formerly of 117 North Green, Tupelo, Mississippi, sailed recently from New York aboard S. S. EXCAMBION of American Export Lines to the middle-East where he will assume missionary duties for the next five years in Ajloun, Jordan. Mr. Couch points to map in room aboard ship to spot where he will embark in Eastern Mediterranean.

### Weekly Televangelism Schedule

Hattiesburg, Miss.	12:30 p.m., Sunday	WDAM-TV
Meridian, Miss.	4:00 p.m., Saturday	WTOK-TV
New Orleans, La.	2:30 p.m., Sunday	WWL-TV
Baton Rouge, La.	(no time confirmed)	WBRZ



STUFFING SANTA'S BAG with gifts for tuberculosis patients at the Veteran's Hospital are a group of students who attended the City-Wide Baptist Student Union Christmas party December 16 at First Church, Jackson. Standing left to right are Doris Faye Dickerson, Jackson; John Sharp Gatewood, Mt. Olive; Santa Claus (Joe Jack Hurst); Mrs. Joe Jack Hurst; Roxanne Cox, Jackson; Linda Cooper, Jackson; Janie Johnson, Mendenhall seated is Elizabeth Ann Clark, Mt. Olive. Kathryn Jasper is Hinds County B. S. U. Director.



### MISSISSIPPI "M" NIGHT ATTENDANCE

Association 1957 1958

Adams	476	318
Alcorn	376	321
Attala	241	341
Bolivar	107	132
Calhoun	433	392
Carroll	127	185
Chickasaw	315	263
Choctaw	204	192
Clarke	162	246
Clay	140	147
Copiah	234	310
Covington	530	551
DeSoto	247	401
Franklin	217	100
George	120	
Greene	83	
Grenada	257	210
Gulf Coast	1198	654
Hinds	1180	519
Holmes	287	456
Humphreys	100	
Itawamba	67	56
Jackson	550	603
Jasper	340	320
Jeff Davis	541	591
Jones	746	843
Kemper	49	74
Lafayette	404	
Lamar	150	176
Lauderdale	1096	1150
Lawrence	347	379
Leake	353	460
Lebanon	302	
Lee	659	662
Leflore	304	290
Lincoln	1043	847
Lowndes	263	308
Madison	137	
Marion	214	
Marshall	131	223
Mississippi	265	361
Monroe	86	127
Montgomery	138	121
Neshoba	583	
New Choctaw	146	78
Newton	362	607
Noxubee	239	139
Oktibbeha	241	220
Panola	298	141
Pearl River	126	
Perry	144	163
Pike	726	
Pontotoc	275	
Prentiss	336	
Rankin	472	269
Riverside	462	
Scott	422	310
Sharkey-Issa	126	162
Simpson	321	793
Smith	266	244
Sunflower	185	
Tallahatchie	264	344
Tate	145	
Tippah	133	
Tishomingo	126	249
Union	128	105
Union County	495	491
Walthall	115	50
Warren	820	709
Washington	250	
Wayne	693	414
Winston	297	572
Yalobusha	133	41
Yazoo	382	277

Note: The "M" Night attendance by associations listed above are as of December 19, 1958.

### Rural

### Church

### Changing

NASHVILLE — (BP) — "The rural church has changed, as has the pastor's role; and it is caused by the changing times, the changing people, and the changing church."

Lee Gallman, Jackson, Miss., director of seminary extension department for Southern Baptist Convention Seminaries, and speaking to the Promotion Conference of the Southern Baptist Convention here, continued, "The changing times include communications, transportation, new and different communities, education, and the change to a centralized government which has brought us to the door of socialism."

Gallman stated that people are better informed generally, but are illiterate about the Bible. They are older, well traveled, more secular; they are more religious, but less Christian.

### Success Formula

In discussing the changing church, he said, "There is a tendency toward sameness, and the local church fears censure from the denomination. To find out what Baptists believe, you don't ask Baptists, but you read de-nominational literature."

### Population Grows

NEW YORK—If it were possible to add 129,600 people to the Church every 24 hours, there still would be as many unchurched people in the world as ever. The latest estimate from the United Nations tells us there is a net gain of 129,600 in the world population during every 24-hour period.

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## Baptist

### Briefs

WHEATON, Ill. (RNS)—More than 100 million persons witnessed Billy Graham's evangelistic crusades in San Francisco and Charlotte meeting of the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association board.

NASHVILLE — (BP) — The resignation of its director of adult work in the Training Union department was accepted at the December meeting of the executive board of Tennessee Baptist Convention here.

DALLAS — (AP) — Mexico Baptists have appointed missionary Ervin E. Haste to a new position as promoter of evangelism beginning Jan. 1, 1959.

FORT WORTH — (BP) — R. Paul Green, director of the Baptist Hour Choir since 1955, has resigned that position to become professor of conducting and choral activities at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary here.

ALEXANDRIA, La. — (BP) — The executive board of Louisiana Baptist Convention in its December meeting here, passed a resolution calling on Gov. Earl Long and John Nick Brown, superintendent of state police, to enforce anti-gambling laws in Louisiana.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BPN) — Broadman Press of Nashville, Tennessee, will celebrate Southern Baptist Seminary's one-hundredth birthday this year by publishing the story of the denomination's oldest of six seminaries. The book, *A History of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary*, is by Dr. William A. Mueller, professor of philosophy of religion at the school.

DALLAS — (BP) — More than half a million Texas Baptists will pause during their New Year's Eve church services to hear an evangelism prayer appeal program broadcast simultaneously by 19 radio stations in the state.

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# 1958... "The Moving Finger Writes; and, Having Writ, Moves On" ... 1959

by W. C. Fields, Editor

Time goes along its silent, ceaseless way. The years are all undivided. Their changing is unmarked—except by us mortals.

We ring the bells and fire the guns. But Time, that tireless despot, moves right through New Year's Eve without a moment's pause.

And almost as soon as Tomorrow becomes Today it is already Yesterday.

1958 A. D. was like that.

And now it is gone. Forever gone!

It was quite a year.

**WORDS.** Sputnik, recession, Vanguard, brinkmanship, Atlas, devaluation, moderate, Volkswagen, hula hoop.

**NAMES.** Bernard Goldfine and Werner von Braun, Charles De Gaulle and U Nu, Brigitte Bardot and Van Cliburn, Mary Ann Mobley and Billy Cannon.

**THE WORLD.** A lot of war and rumors of war. Tunisia, Indonesia, Quemoy and Matsu, Lebanon and Iraq, and Berlin. Always Berlin.

Yet in spite of all of this pig-sticking, blood-letting, brain-busting fratricide there are 47,000,000 more of us in the human family than a year ago.

**THE USA.** Rocked along. Became one state larger. Like everything else, church membership was up: 104,000,000. A record. These folks laid out \$865,000,000 for church buildings. Matched peak year of 1957.

**SOUTHERN BAPTISTS.** Crossed the 9,000,000 mark. More baptisms, bigger gifts. Full story to be released shortly.

Houston convention authorized biggest program-streamlining job since 1945. Fifteen of the thirty-eight recommendations on reorganization were referred back for another year's simmering.

Congressman Brooks Hays was re-elected president of the convention, defeated for reelection to Congress turned over-night into a well-known, much-discussed public figure at home and abroad. By all odds he was the year's most newsworthy Baptist.

Running a close second in the newspaper galaxy race, however, was Edwin T. Dahlberg, a St. Louis Baptist pastor whose church has dual affiliation with both American and Southern Conventions. He was elected president of the National Council of Churches, an event that has been treated with studied indifference by Southern brethren.

The first Southern Baptist church was established in Greater New York City. The tide moved a little closer to New England, the only section of the nation without Southern Baptist churches.

A team of Baptist doctors traveled around the world and established the year's top achievement in good will.

More than 8,000 boys flocked to Ft. Worth for a Texas-size Royal Ambassador Congress. Their older brothers and sisters mingled with Baptist young people from 67 other nations at the Fifth Baptist Youth World Congress in Toronto.

Seminaries were in the news. Administrative troubles at Southern kept the school on the front page. Even so, enrolment is about

as high as last year. Robert Taylor was inaugurated president at Southeastern replacing Howard Williams who died. Leo Eddleman was elected president at New Orleans succeeding Roland Q. Leavell who retired. Southeastern became fully accredited. Golden-Gate campus was under construction at Strawberry Point at San Francisco Bay, and Midwestern opened its doors for its first class of students.

**MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS.** A good year for us.

Progress on all sides.

Baptism up. Gifts through the Cooperative Program up. Both influenced by the Forward Program of Church Finance.

Gifts through the Cooperative Program reached \$2,025,391.84 for the convention year. Convention Board—continuing to work in a marvelous spirit of accord—led the convention in adopting a \$2,275,000 budget for 1959.

Executive Secretary Chester L. Quarles was elected first vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention, becoming the third Mississippian in a row to serve as SBC vice president. Previous ones: Douglas Hudgins of Jackson and the late Deb Lee Stennis of Meridian.

William Carey College received its accreditation. Clarke Memorial College observed its Golden Anniversary, and Blue Mountain was in its 85th year. Mississippi College, under the leadership of President R. A. McLemore, gathered momentum at the close of the year for an ambitious and promising \$1,100,000 Development Program.

During the year **The Baptist Record** put into the hands of the Baptist people of Mississippi over 200,000 lbs. of prime news affecting their faith and life. Every board, institution, agency, department, plus many of the groups, organizations, programs, activities and interests were featured. It was our purpose and our hope to keep you informed of all the significant currents and cross-currents in the state, nation, and the world as they bear on the New Testament Christianity we Mississippi Baptists have espoused.

**TOP STORIES.** 1. Abroad generally, the leading religious news of the year was the death of Pope Pius XII and the ascension of Pope John XXIII to the Catholic Kingdom's throne at Rome.

2. Among Southern Baptists, the top news story of the year was the embarrassing, heart-sickening affair at Southern Seminary which led to the firing of thirteen professors and which seems to keep going on and on like some terrible nightmare.

3. Among many fine stories in Mississippi Baptist life during the year we cast our vote for the one headed, "First Time: \$2,000,000 Given Thru the Cooperative Program!"

**FINIS.** And now 1958 is no more!

It was, indeed, quite a year.

Some of it was good. Some of it was bad.

"The Moving Finger writes; and, having writ, moves on; nor all your Piety nor Wit shall lure it back to cancel half a line, nor all your tears wash out a word of it."

But, then, there is the good Year of Our Lord 1959 ahead of us . . .

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W. C. FIELDS, Editor

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## New Field Representative

With the first of the new year Dr. E. C. Williams begins a part-time responsibility with **The Baptist Record** as field representative.

In this capacity he will devote his energies to increasing the circulation of the paper.

We are especially happy to welcome him to the staff. His many friends over the state and the Southern Baptist Convention have expressed gratitude over the fact that his valuable services will continue among Mississippi Baptists.

Dr. Williams, though officially "retired," is vigorous and strong. His 34 years of service to Mississippi Baptists, 20 years as state Sunday School Secretary, have provided him with a vast store of experience, acquaintance, and understanding.

As he uses his marvelous background to extend the influence of the state paper, he will be strengthening all that he has worked for during these years and all the causes that Mississippi Baptists support.

He will be visiting with pastors and church leaders enlisting every church in the Every Family Plan.

He will work closely with Associate Editor Joe Abrams, who is in charge of circulation, seeking to place **The Baptist Record** in every Baptist home in the state.

No man has made a greater contribution to Mississippi Baptist life than E. C. Williams. He will be contacting your church about the paper, an agency that is of the utmost importance to all that Mississippi Baptists are attempting to do for Christ.

We know you and the members of your church will give him a good reception when he calls on you.

## Teenage Thinking

American youngsters may not be mature in their thinking but you can be sure of one thing: there is no way to be sure of what they are thinking!

Purdue University sampled the opinions of 18,000 high school students. The information has gone into a new book, "The American Teenager" (Bobbs Merrill Co.)

According to the poll 83 percent of today's teenagers okay wiretapping. Sixty percent go for censorship of books, newspapers, and magazines. Fifty-eight percent see no harm in the third degree.

Over half of the youngsters questioned "think the large mass of us in the United States simply aren't capable of deciding for ourselves what's right and what's wrong."

Maybe that's why parents are still necessary!

## Going to the Dogs?

One writer, deeply disturbed by youthful misbehavior in his community, wrote this severe indictment:

"Our youth now love luxury. They have bad manners, contempt for authority, disrespect for older people. Children nowadays are tyrants. They no longer rise when their elders enter the room. They contradict their parents, chatter before company, gibe their food, and tyrannize their teachers."

These are the words of Socrates. He lived five centuries before Christ.

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## Quotables

SELECTED BY THE EDITOR FROM CONTEMPORARY THOUGHT AND OPINION

A London paper offered a prize for the best definition of money. This was the winning answer: "Money is an instrument that can buy you everything but happiness and pay your fare to every place but heaven."

Jesus Christ is no security against storms, but He is perfect security in storms.

Enemies in marriage often begin when a man is so smitten his salt that he forgets his sugar.—Cy N.



High School age is when boys notice that girls notice boys who notice girls.—Kokomo Tribune.

**Formula for contentment:** Just think how happy you'd be if you lost everything you have right now—and then got it back again.—Leonard M. Leonard.

The most untameable thing in the world has its den just back of the teeth.

## The Baptist Forum

### Accreditation

I am very grateful to you for the very fine way in which you publicized the recent announcement of the accreditation of William Carey College.

The full accreditation of our school means much in the development of our program here. We feel that we are now in a position to accomplish many additional objectives.

J. Ralph Noonester  
President  
William Carey College  
Hattiesburg, Miss.

### Good Authority

Enclosed you will find a check for \$2.00 for which I would like to receive your Mississippi state paper.

I have been told by good authority, Marshall Mines, Superintendent of the City Missions, San Francisco, recently from Florida, that your paper is the best in the convention.

T. J. Dubose  
Supt. of Missions  
Vallejo, Calif.

### Alien Report

It will be very much appreciated if you will assist in publishing

licensing the Allen Address Report Program for the year 1959. There are enclosed suggested press releases which we hope you will be able to publish during the month of January. As you know, there are severe penalties for aliens in the United States who fail to report their addresses during the month of January, and it is our hope to get this message to all in time in order that they may comply.

C. W. Johnson  
District Director  
Immigration Service  
New Orleans

### Are Glad They Went

It has been our desire to write many of you Mississippians but sometimes time seems to fly away and many of our plans never materialize.

Today we received four copies of the **Baptist Record**, dating back to October. We appreciate our church sending it to us and read every word of it. It has been one of the busiest and hardest times we have had during our eight years of happy service here.

Recently we were holding a street service surrounding some idols. After much explanation to our five-year-old daughter she said, "Mama, I'm glad we came to tell the people here about Jesus." She spoke the feeling of our entire family.

May the coming year be filled with the good things you seek and desire—not only for you, but for those you love as well.

Joyce, Ralph, Nan, and David, Davis  
Box 5  
Port Harcourt  
Nigeria, West Africa

### Calendar of Prayer

**January 1** — Dr. J. W. Lee, Mississippi College faculty.

**January 2** — Dr. Gertrude Lipper, Mississippi College faculty.

**January 3** — Mrs. Elton Moore, missionary to Indonesia, now on furlough.

**January 4** — W. P. Young Jones, Associational Missionary.

**January 5** — Curtis Miller, Mississippi Associational Sunday School Supt.

**January 6** — R. V. Breakfield, Marion Associational Music Director.

**January 7** — Jerry Johnston, B. S. U. Director, East Central Junior College.

**January 8** — Zach Moak, Lincoln Associational Brotherhood President; J. G. Wharton, Lowndes Associational Brotherhood President.

**January 9** — Mrs. H. W. Clinton, Baptist Building; Mrs. Van Cotton, Baptist Building.

**January 10** — A. H. Thorpe, Lauderdale County Association Training Union Director; Mrs. Virginia Sumrall, Lamar Association Training Union Director.

**January 11** — H. H. Ward, Atala Association Missionary; Dr. Lillian Weidenhammer, William Carey College faculty.

## Counselor's Corner

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON  
(Author of "For Our Age of Anxiety. Available at Your Baptist Book Store")

### Married An Alcoholic

QUESTION: I married a man at 14 and did not know at that time that he was a drunkard.

I had very little education and was dumb.

We had a baby every three years until I had nine children.

He grew worse, and would curse and threaten

to kill all of us when he was drunk.

Often I would stay in the woods all night out of fear.

After 30 years I separated from him and turned to God.

He is still the same, yet he promises to do better if I will take him back.

I have gone back several times but it is always the same.

I want to help save his soul but don't know what else to do.

Have you any suggestions? I am now 60 years of age and will never marry again.

ANSWER: Drop this man like a hot potato. Many alcoholics cannot be helped and that is all there is to it. I would certainly never go back to this man until he has had a year or two of complete sobriety. Then I would want to know whether or not he has really turned to God.

You have had enough trouble in life. Living with an alcoholic is like living under perpetual threat of a tornado. My advice is to look to the future and never look back. "God hath called us to peace." (1 Cor. 7:15)

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, 116 W. 47 Street, Kansas City 12, Mo.)

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## Revival Dates

Note: An announcement in this column may be accompanied by one "thumbnail" engraving. The Baptist Record will secure at cost an engraving for the church if a glossy print photograph is provided.

Memorial (Perry): January 2, 3, 4; Rev. Lawrence Baylot, Carey College, youth revival evangelist Friday and Saturday; Alf Rose, Vicksburg, speaker for Sunday, Jan. 4; music directed by Carey students; Rev. A. R. Miller, pastor.

Natchez, Riverside: Jan. 4-7, Rev. Glyn Wright, Vicksburg, evangelist; Rev. Smith, Meadville, music director; Rev. Marvin Stone, pastor.



PRODUCTS: The representatives of three colleges get together at the recent Homecoming of Oklahoma Baptist university. Graduates and former student body presidents, Dr. A. Hope Owen, president of Wayland college in Texas, Dr. Roy A. McKnight, vice-president of Baylor university in Texas, and Dr. J. P. Dane, head of OBU's Bible department, talk before one of the Homecoming displays—the state of Oklahoma. The roll call of alumni included one seminary president, three college presidents, two vice-presidents of universities, and outstanding businessmen and doctors, as well as pastors and denominational leaders.

## FOREIGN MISSION BOARD REPORTS TO THE PEOPLE

### Cauthen Says 1958 Best Year In Baptist Foreign Missions

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, told the Board in its last meeting of the year that 1958 has been the best year in the history of Southern Baptist foreign mission work.

He said it has been the best year from the standpoint of missionary appointments. The 24 missionaries appointed at the December meeting brought the total for the year to a new annual high of 137—seven above the goal.

Dr. Cauthen said 1958 has also been the best year from the standpoint of financial support of foreign missions. A comparison of cash income for January through November, 1958 with the same period in 1957 reveals a 13.02 per cent increase.

Dr. Cauthen said all early reports from the 1958 Lottie Moon Christmas Offering indicate that it will go beyond the 1957 total of \$6,121,585.14.

This has also been the best year from the standpoint of mission work in the overseas fields, Dr. Cauthen continued. "Missionaries from every area of the world report progress in their work."

"In the appointment of new missionaries we are reminded of the very great value of the foreign mission programs at meetings of the Southern Baptist Convention. A number of the 24 missionaries appointed at the December meeting of the Board testified that their decisions were made in the high hours of foreign mission presentations at the Southern Baptist Convention meetings. This happens repeatedly."

Dr. Cauthen said if present plans materialize the December meeting of the Board is the last to be held in the old headquarters building at 2037 Monument Avenue, Richmond, Va. Plans are under way to move to the new building at 3806 Monument Avenue, Richmond, on January 2.

Dr. Cauthen said: "The construction of the new headquarters building is one of the best missionary investments Southern Baptists have ever made. The work of the Foreign Mission Board has doubled in the last few years and the facilities in the old building have long been outgrown. Due to lack of space it has been impossible to add needed staff members. The result has been that the increasing load of foreign missions has had to be carried by the same staff. The new headquarters building will enable the Foreign Mission Board to strengthen all aspects of its work and to prepare for larger responsibilities which are growing out of increased missionary conviction."

The new headquarters building will be dedicated at the semiannual meeting of the full Board, April 7-8. The new address is: 3806 Monument Avenue, P. O. Box 6597, Richmond 30, Va.

Board Provides for Liaison With Baptists of Portugal

At its December meeting the Foreign Mission Board asked Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Crabtree, veteran missionaries under appointment to Brazil, to be its fraternal representatives to the Baptists of Portugal. In this capacity they will serve as liaison persons between the Foreign Mission Board and the Portuguese Baptist Convention. The Board's action came after careful study of urgent re-

quests from the Portuguese Baptist Convention and the Brazilian Baptist Convention that Southern Baptists enter Portugal. (Baptist work in Portugal is the product of the foreign mission work of Brazilian Baptists; but the Brazilian Baptist Foreign Mission Board has been forced to reduce its assistance.)

"The appointment of Dr. and Mrs. Crabtree as fraternal representatives to Portuguese Baptists does not necessarily indicate that the Foreign Mission Board is entering Portugal on a definite permanent basis as a new mission field," commented Dr. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East. "They will make a full investigation of the situation among the Baptists of Portugal; and, on the basis of their reports, the Board will be in a position to decide concerning the desirability of expanding its aid to Portuguese Baptists."

Dr. and Mrs. Crabtree have had 37 years' experience as Southern Baptist missionaries to Brazil. Appointed in 1921, they served in Rio de Janeiro, where Dr. Crabtree was professor of theology and president of the South Brazil Baptist Theological Seminary, pastor of the Tijuca Baptist Church, and editor of periodical literature for the Baptist publishing house of Brazil.

Since 1954 Dr. and Mrs. Crabtree have been in the States on an extended furlough while Dr. Crabtree has been writing books for the Baptist publishing house of Brazil. He is the author of 10 books in the Portuguese language.

### Religious Liberty Victory In Italian Court Decision

In his report to the Board Dr. Goerner said a recent ruling of the Constitutional High Court of Italy is hailed as a significant victory for religious liberty in that country. The Court is a 15-man tribunal modeled after the Supreme Court of the United States.

Dr. Goerner said: "On November 24, 1958, the Court passed down a historic decision when

ruling upon the case of an elder of the Pentecostal Assemblies of God who had been charged with acting as a minister and operating a church without a proper permit—it upheld the right of all religious communities to open and operate houses of worship without police authorization.

"There is certain appropriateness in the fact that at the first meeting of the Foreign Mission Board following this momentous victory for religious liberty in Italy two new couples are being appointed for that country. These are the first new appointees for Italy since 1952.

ATLANTA — (BP) — The Georgia Baptist Convention's executive committee here has approved the proposal to give it control of Shorter College at Rome, one of six colleges which have been receiving state Co-operative Program funds.

# Oklahoma Baptist Hospital First To Get Loan From Hill-Burton

OKLAHOMA CITY — (BP) — Baptist Memorial Hospital of Oklahoma City is the first hospital in the nation to receive a government loan under new provisions of the Hill-Burton Act, Baptist leaders here reported.

The hospital, expected to open early in 1959, will receive a 40-year, \$500,000 loan from the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, an agency of the federal government.

The loan carries a 3 1/2 per cent interest rate. The interest rate includes the cost of servicing the loan so that the denomination will not receive any money in the form of a gift. Baptist leaders declared.

The hospital had contracted earlier for \$200,000, 20-year loan at 5 1/2 per cent interest from an insurance company.

The funds will be used to complete the hospital.

Congress in 1958 amended the Hill-Burton Act to provide for loans to hospitals as well as out-right gifts. Chief among group petitioning Congress for the loans provision were Baptists, who feel that direct gifts from the government to a sectarian hospital violate separation of church and state.

### The Pontiff

VATICAN CITY (RNS) — Pope John XXIII said Catholics should take an active part in politics and it is the "right and duty" of the Church to give them moral guidance in such activities. The Pontiff spoke at an audience to delegates attending the ninth national meeting of the Union of Italian Catholic Lawyers.

### Controversy

PORLTAND, Ore. (RNS) — A granite pillar of the Ten Commandments, offered to the Eagles Lodge, has become the center of a controversy over religious freedom between City Commissioner Ormond R. Bean and Rabbi Julius J. Nodel of Temple Beth Israel here. "It is fundamentally naive to assume that all you have to do is place the inscription of a noble teaching before the eyes of the public and it will miraculously be adopted," said Rabbi Nodel.

Northside Church

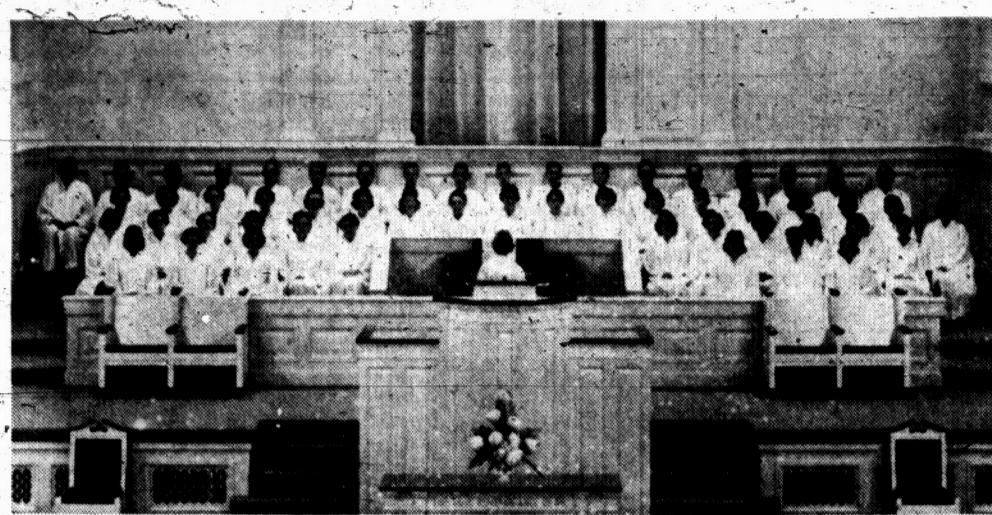
Goes Full Time

Northside, New Albany is changing from half-time to full-time services on January 1.

Rev. W. L. Oakes, called as pastor of the church in September, will lead the church in its new schedule. Having held pastorates in Lafayette, Tippah, and Union Counties during the three years of his ministry, Rev. Oakes attended Clarke College last year and is now a student at Blue Mountain. He and Mrs. Oakes, the former Frances Foster, are both natives of Union County. They have two children, Patsy, 11, and Linda, 8.

FORT WORTH — (BP) — Southern Baptists' new 13-film "This Is The Answer" series will begin on 100 television stations January 4, 1959, and continue through March 29.

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MESSIAH PRESENTED—A rendition of "The Messiah" by George Fredrick Handel was presented by the 60-voice Oratorio Choir of First Church, Vicksburg, to a congregation of over 700 persons at a recent Sunday evening worship hour under the direction of Kendell Smith, minister of music. Solo renditions were by Sidney Buckley, minister of music at Highland Baptist Church, Laurel, and John Strange, Hardy Jones, Mrs. Ben Allen, Mrs. Nolan Daughtry, Mrs. A. A. Lude, Mrs. Charles Wigle, and Mrs. Cecil Burns, Mrs. Ernest Seago, was organist for the choral composition. Dr. John J. McCall is Pastor.



Rev. D. L. Byrd  
MINISTER  
ORDAINED

DeVon L. Byrd was ordained to the gospel ministry following the call to the Indian Springs Church as associate pastor. He was ordained by the Beaumont church where he had served as music director.

The ordination followed an examination by a council consisting of twenty-six ministers and deacons.

The ordination program consisted of: "a charge to the candidate" by Dr. Judson Chastain, pastor of the Indian Springs Church; presentation of a Bible, given by the Beaumont Church, by Edgar Dunkley; sermon by Rev. J. Ray Grissett, host pastor, Prayer by M. J. Byrd, the "Laying On Of Hands" by the Council, and the presentation of an ordination Certificate.

Rev. and Mrs. Byrd live in the Indian Springs Church parsonage at RFD 2, Hattiesburg and attend William Carey College in Hattiesburg.

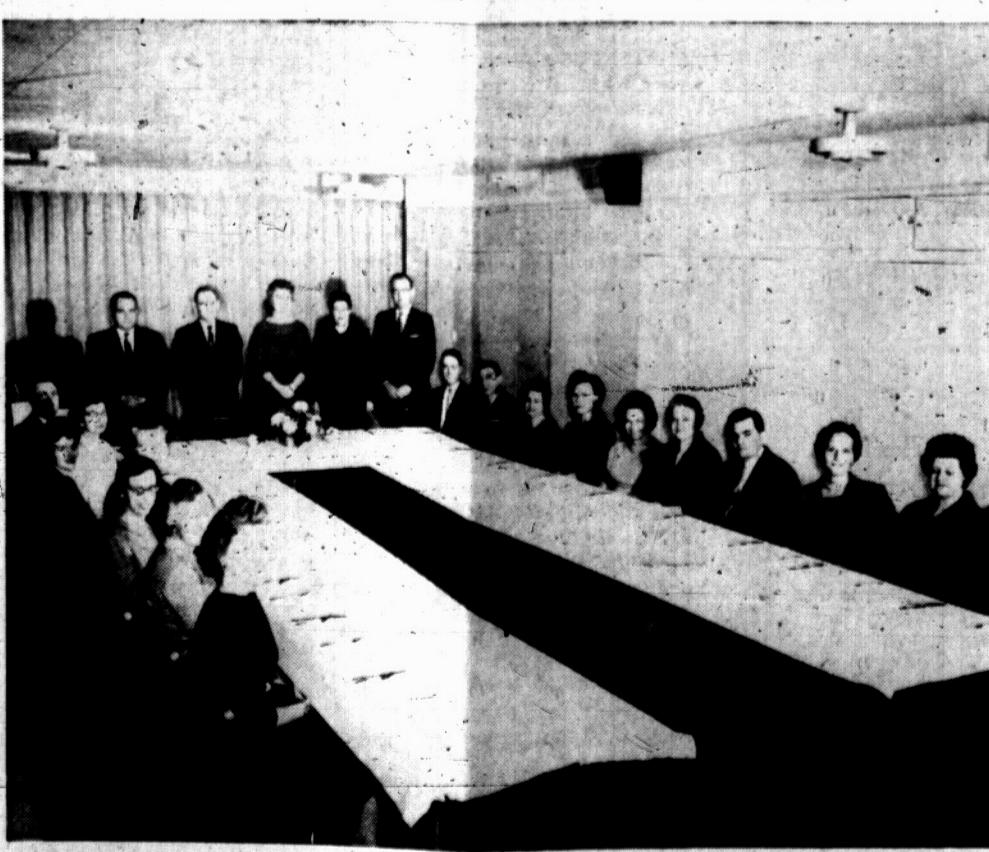


New Pastor Is  
Called At Ruth

Rev. Lenno Powell has accepted the call as pastor to the Ruth Church, Lincoln County. He is a graduate of Mississippi College and will receive his B.D. degree from New Orleans Seminary in May.

Rev. Powell was formerly pastor at Ellison Ridge Church, Winston Association before coming to Ruth.

Rev. Powell's wife is the former Patsy Kelly of Pensacola, Fla. who is also a Mississippi College graduate and is at present attending the New Orleans Seminary with her husband. The Powells were greeted by the church with a pantry show.



THE STAFF AND STAFF COMMITTEE of Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson, held its annual supper meeting on December 8 at the church. The staff committee is elected annually to study relationships among staff members and between the staff and the church. Left to right above are Mrs. Patrick H. Jones, Mrs. L. J. Wilcox, Mrs. Paul Harrell, Mrs. J. B. Robinson, Mrs. Fete Sibley, Mrs. W. F. Fell, Dr. Lewis Rhodes, pastor, Mrs. Paul Davis, Charles A. Carter, Mrs. Paul Grantham, Mrs. Ed Henderson, Walter Martin, Charles Tidwell, Dr. William M. Suttle, Mrs. Donald M. Dockery III, Mrs. Earl Page, Mrs. Donald Creekmore, Mrs. C. S. Sykes, Paul Hancock, Mrs. E. J. Miller, and Mrs. B. H. Kenna.

## Pope Kin To State Baptists

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (RNS) — The 19-year-old youth director of a Montgomery Baptist revival center claims to be a third cousin of Pope John XXIII.

Mrs. Juanita Shaw, the wife of an airman stationed at Maxwell Air Force Base here, said her maternal grandfather and Pope John were first cousins. She said they grew up together in the same little Italian town of Sotto il Monte in the province of Bergamo.

Francisco Roncalli, Mrs. Shaw's grandfather, came to the United States and settled at Shaw, Miss., where he now lives.

"I thought they were kidding," Mrs. Shaw said when her mother, Mrs. J. A. Roberts of Greenville, Miss., wrote her the news.

### Sunday School Department



BRYANT M. CUMMINGS, SECRETARY

Guest Director — Sibley C. Burnett  
—For—

—Association Superintendents of Vacation Bible School Work and Team Leaders  
—Association Superintendents  
—Association Missionaries  
—Pastors, Educational Directors  
—Elementary Directors  
—Music Directors

### SIX CONFERENCES — FIVE SESSIONS

1. Nursery Workers
2. Beginner Workers
3. Primary Workers
4. Junior Workers
5. Intermediate Workers
6. Principals, Pastors, Missionaries, (Organization and Administration)

### ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS AHEAD

- Co-operate in Soul-Winning Commitment Day — January 4
- State Bible School Clinic — January 12-14
- Simultaneous Religious Census
- Evangelistic Conference, Clarksdale, February 9-11
- Regional Sunday School Conventions
- March 9 — New Albany, First
- March 10 — Yazoo City, First
- March 11 — Laurel, First

### IN JANUARY

#### MAJOR ON PRIMARY WORK Ages 6-8

- Make assignments for evangelistic visitation
- Check progress on goals for enrolment and attendance
- Make Glorieta and Ridgecrest reservations
- Feature American Bible Society

"May Your 1959 Be Filled With Joy and Peace" — Carolyn Madison, Mrs. Ralph Alewine, Mrs. Cuthriell, Mrs. Judson Irwin, Bryant M. Cummings.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ASSEMBLY CAMP KITTIWAKE August 24-28

### New Extension Department Teaching Book

Available in Baptist Book Store January 6

"The Teaching Ministry of the Extension Visitor"

By Mrs. Mildred C. McCraw

# —THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

## Jesus Christ Calls Forth Faith

By Dr. L. Bracey Campbell  
Scripture Texts: Mark 9:29; Matthew 17:14-18.

A FEW WORDS PERSONAL AND INTRODUCTORY. It has now been more than fifty years since I taught my first Sunday school class, having been thrust into that exalted position by a good, simple minded old uncle. I did not realize then that this incident did not "just happen," but was His doing whereby the Lord stood me in a position where I could hear His call to men free. And more clearly

me to do this sort of work for Him. And there is no loftier work for the Lord; for it is by teaching that our blessed Lord Jesus aims to spread His kingdom's truth through the world.

And the purpose of this is not simply that men should come to have a discursive knowledge of the Scriptural truth, but that the truth may have its way with them, and make them free in the freedom with which Christ Jesus make

men free. And more clearly

have I learned the lesson through the years, that I cannot do it alone, and I pray my God that I may from every possible direction have His help. From Him over all as an answer to earnest prayer, and from the mature men of my present class as they join me in the effort to find the truth in the lessons that applies to them in their individual lives, as they strive to live these lives to the glory of Him whose they are.

For more than twenty years now I have written these weekly notes on the S. S. Lessons, and have, within the past decade visited only one community in Mississippi where some S. S. teacher did not tell me that these brief notes were being regularly read. I humble my heart before the throne of Him who gives me the exalted honor of bearing this poor, weak witness to the worth of His matchless word.

Beginning with the new year, we continue the study from the gospels of the earthly life of our Lord. With the gracious incident of which today's scripture passage is the record, let us begin.

### I. ON THE MOUNTAIN TOP.

Mark 9:2-12. "Jesus takes with Him, Peter, and James, and John." Up into a lofty mountain apart, where He was transfigured. I think that in this experience He anticipated the glory that now is His, and that which awaits every believer in the glorification. Here on the mountain He had carried our humanity to its ultimate glory and might conceivably have gone from that bright experience back to heaven, but that He had a work for us still to

do, and that work led Him from the mountain top back into the valley.

But it was on the mountain top that God bore witness to Jesus. Peter proposed an extended stay upon the mountain, but there came from heaven the voice of the Almighty. "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am delighted; hear ye Him" (Matthew 17:5). This was, first, God's witness to the identity of Jesus, "My son;" it is secondly God's witness to the perfection, the flawlessness of Jesus' character, "In whom I am well pleased, delighted;" and finally it is God's witness to the authority, "Hear ye Him," and that means that Jesus holds authority from the Almighty on all matters of which He speaks.

II. THE NEEDLY PAIR AT THE MOUNTAIN FOOT. The epileptic boy and his father. Or maybe we should look at the weak disciples and the scoffing Pharisees. The poor boy was under the control of a demoniac spirit. The disciples had cast out demons; why could they not now?

Ah, Brother! Many a servant of Christ Jesus has been able to do great work for Him, and has, and then has lost his power. He may seem to have it still, even as Samson thought he still had his strength after he had lost it.

"But these men were continually with Jesus." It is sadly true that His followers now may do all the things that devout men ought to do, and yet suffer a spiritual lapse within. Men may shape prayers with their lips while their hearts are far from God.

This sort of tragic lapse can not for long be hidden, and the scoffers are among the first to notice it. Here they were on this day, challenging the disciples to make good their boasts of peculiar power.

Came the Lord of all authority over all principalities and powers. The plaint of the distressed father, "If thou canst" do anything," and the exclamation of the Lord, "If thou canst"! "Why, that is not the problem at all. I can do all things, if thou canst believe."

"Lord, I believe, help thou mine unbelief!"

"Deaf and dumb spirit, I command thee . . . enter no more into him." The deaf and dumb spirit threw the boy into an epileptic paroxysm, but it came out, all the same.

"Why could we not cast it out?"

"This kind cometh forth only through prayer." Not through kneeling down or standing up or lying prone, but through prayer, that intimate communion of the spirit of man with the spirit of God, which is prayer.

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E. Harmon Moore

### Indiana Names Exec. Secretary

CARBONDALE, Ill. — (BP) — E. Harmon Moore, associate executive secretary of Illinois Baptist State Association here, has accepted the call of the State Convention of Baptists in Indiana to become its first executive secretary.

Indiana Southern Baptists organized their convention in Oct. with 111 churches. There are now 121 churches affiliating in their work. The state offices will be located at Plainfield, Indiana.

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BPN) — Broadman Press, Nashville, has accepted for publication a manuscript titled Southern Baptist Preaching compiled and edited by H. C. Brown, Jr., professor of preaching at Southwestern.

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## Sunday Reports

Sunday School Attendance  
Training Union Attendance  
Additions to the Church

December 28, 1958

Aberdeen, 1st	345	105
Antioch (Rankin)	49	27
Batesville, 1st	400	180
Biloxi, Emmanuel	108	85
Booneville, 1st	195	80
Brookhaven	241	94
Main	676	243
Southway Chapel	580	183
Mount Heigh	61	38
Southway Chapel	35	22
Brice, 1st	25	18
Byram	234	147
Calhoun City, 1st	277	134
Charleston, 1st	241	78
Clarendale	411	110
Main	385	125
Fairview Miss.	26	10
Clarkdale, Oak	427	136
Cleveland, 1st	332	96
Main	300	100
Chinese Miss.	32	10
Collins	111	83
Columbia, 1st	583	202
Corinth, Calvary	103	57
Corinth, 1st	299	83
East	192	71
Cruger	42	31
Crystal Springs, 1st	538	178
Dixie (Leb.)	182	111
Enon (Pano.)	72	74
Flowood	106	76
First	499	186
Main Street	854	412
Main	767	336
Midway Main	31	39
Wayside	192	117
Main	182	100
Bonhamie	10	10
Jackson	141	67
Alta Woods	509	268
Alta Vista	34	33
Broadmoor	409	192
Calvary	122	439
Main	111	419
Mission	30	20
Crestwood	336	221
Daniel	803	366
Emmanuel	172	129
First	118	282
Hillcrest	224	140
Highland	116	80
Parkway	745	428
Midway	156	100
Bridgecrest	450	214
Van Winkle	241	140
West	307	143
Kosciusko, 1st	535	155
Main	518	177
Male Miss.	17	10
First	529	206
Highland	246	120
Wildwood	256	110
Long Beach, 1st	253	98
Main	241	136
Delisle	12	15
Longview	85	58
Lucedale, 1st	364	143
McComb, Locust St	104	59
First	672	195
Highland	486	190
Arrowood	70	36
Eastview	121	89
Oakview Heights	223	91
Piney Woods Drive	271	140
Main	347	126
Chapel	29	14
Calvary	318	143
Fifteenth Avenue	540	246
(South Side)	309	137
McComb, 1st. Mission	12	10
Morton, East	62	63
Natchez, 1st	479	184
N. Albany, N'thside	67	52
Oxford, 1st	257	136
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	223	93
McComb, 1st	603	223
Main	549	195
McArthur	54	28
Pearl	201	102
Petal, Crestv'w	62	33
Paul-Harvey	345	156
Main	300	118
Harvey	45	38
Picayune, 1st	507	125
Potts, Camp	101	56
First, 1st	249	85
Raworth (Scott)	40	60
Ruleville	199	80
Ruth	60	52
Sharon (Gulfco.)	59	48
Soso	131	81
Springf'd (Scott)	123	81
Starkeville, 1st	492	198
Sumrall, 1st	111	57
Tupelo, 1st	404	153
Tybertown, 1st	290	106
Union, 1st	201	106
Ward, 1st	33	29
West End (Win.)	65	44
West Point, W. End	141	131



Rev. Leroy Wright

W. Ellisville  
Licenses A  
Preacher

Leroy Wright surrendered to preach in November and was licensed to preach by the West Ellisville Church on November 23, 1958.

Rev. Herbert L. Kimmon, Jr. is the pastor at West Ellisville.

ATLANTA — (BP) — C. Lamar McGinty, 73, retired president of Tift College at Forsyth, died of a heart ailment during a visit to Atlanta. He retired in 1947 after nine years as president of the Baptist school for girls.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (RNS) — A number of state legislators are reported giving their blessing to a new movement for raising moral standards, launched recently by the Arkansas Baptist Convention.

Thursday, Jan. 1, 1959

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FATHER-SON BANQUET — The Brotherhood of Morrison Heights Church, Clinton, observed a Father-Son banquet with the Royal Ambassadors as guests at a recent meeting.

### Woman's Missionary Union

President—MRS. J. L. LYONS, McCamp  
Executive Secretary—MISS EDWINA ROBINSON  
YWA Director—MISS MARJEAN PATTERSON  
GA Director—MISS WILLA DEAN FREEMAN

#### HOME MISSION STUDY INSTITUTES

Check with your Associational WMU President as to the place and time. If you are to teach any one of the books—BE SURE and attend the Institute nearest you to gain all possible help. These Institutes are scheduled for the first two weeks of January.

#### GRADED SERIES THEME: WORLD EVANGELISM: IN THE HOMELAND.

Adults: Ways of Witnessing—

Caylor.

YWA: Won By One—Maguire.

Int. GA: The Charley Mat

## Questions Answered About Operation Baptist Biography

By J. L. BOYD  
Mississippi Director  
Operation Baptist Biography

"Is there a limit to the number of biographies to be sent in by a church?" **Answer:** Yes, limited to persons, living or deceased, who have distinguished themselves by long and self-sacrificing service, outstanding in citizenship, and in leadership in church, associations, conventions; or denominational workers, faithful and loyal to church and denominational causes.

"What method is to be used in selecting and screening list of names sent in?" **Answer:** By a well-chosen committee of the church, to make careful selections based on the above characteristics.

"Are women to be included as well as men, laymen as well as ministers?" **Answer:** Yes, both male and female, laymen and ministers, prominent evangelists and denominational workers, doctors and nurses, presidents of institutions and teachers, merchants and farmers.

"Are former pastors and former workers of a church to be listed?" **Answer:** No; they will be listed where they hold their present membership. Except it be one who retires and remains

**DALLAS** — (BP) — A former Southern Baptist missionary in California, R. R. Harvey, has been employed by the Texas Baptist Bi-Lingual Missions department to help promote Brotherhood and Royal Ambassador work in Spanish-speaking Texas Baptist churches.

**NASHVILLE**, Tenn. — (RSSB) — The semi-annual meeting of the Baptist Sunday School Board will be held here January 27-28. Dr. James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer, announced. Board committees will begin meeting on the evening of the 27th.

in the community where they last served.

"Are all pastors, retired preachers and retired denominational workers to be considered for this Book of Remembrance?" **Answer:** Yes; the pastor of a church should be the first to fill out the Data Forms, setting the example.

"What is the purpose, and use to which all these biographies are to be put?" **Answer:** One copy of each biography in each church will be filed in the office of that church and one will be filed in Dr. Quarles' office, Baptist Building, Jackson, for the use of anybody from anywhere who might desire for historical purposes; one copy from every church of every state in the Southern Baptist Convention territory will be placed in the Master File in the Dargan-Carver Memorial Library in the Sunday School Board Building, Nashville, Tennessee, for use of any person

son anywhere in the world to be used for historical purposes.

"What is the dead line for the biographies to be completed and sent in?" **Answer:** The month of January, 1959, is designated as Operation Baptist Biography Month during which it is hoped that a united effort will be made to have them completed.

For further instruction write Box 51, Clinton, Mississippi.

some employee and community activities.

### Four-Color Feature

The four-color cover features the architect's drawing of the Board's new Operations Building, and its present buildings, including those at Ridgecrest and Glorieta assemblies.

The envelope in which the brochure is being mailed to pastors and other leaders was given the highest award for design and layout recently by the Envelope Institute of America.

For copies of the brochure send a postcard to H. E. Ingram, Service Division, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville 3, Tennessee.

**DALLAS** — (BP) — The outside structure of the new \$312 million Southern Baptist Relief and Annuity Board building in downtown Dallas will be 95 percent completed this week, said construction superintendent Jack Easterling.

## SS Board Brochure Ready

**NASHVILLE**, Tenn. — (RSSB) — A brochure on the organization and work of the Baptist Sunday School Board is ready for distribution.

The booklet tells about the Sunday School Board as it is today, as well as a bit of its history. Charts show the Board's relationship to the Convention and its plan of organization.

Illustrations throughout show phases of the Board's work and

(CLEVES, Germany) — The local Cleves synod of the Rhine-Land Church has struck a fresh blow in the "battle over mixed marriages" in Germany by warning Protestants that mixed marriages might bring them under church discipline. (See EPS No. 2).

In resolutions dealing with

the subject, the synod says that marrying Roman Catholics or bringing up children of mixed marriages in the Catholic Church are offenses under the church discipline and can be followed by exclusion from Holy Communion and loss of church-membership rights.

Declaring that Protestants who marry Catholics are not bound to keep promises given to Catholic priests that their children will be brought up as Catholics, the synod decided to recommend tightening up the marriage regulations of the Rhineland Church as a whole.

## Mixed Marriages Disliked

**VATICAN CITY** (RNS) — Pope John XXIII has issued a decree absolving Roman Catholics throughout the world from total abstinence on Friday, Dec. 26, the day after Christmas.

Normally in the Catholic Church, Friday is a day of abstinence whereby the faithful are forbidden to eat meat and soup, gravy or sauces made from meat.

Days of abstinence differ from days of fasting which permit the eating of only one full meal.

## Religious News Roundup

**LONDON** (RNS) — A serious clergy shortage in both the Canterbury and York provinces was underscored in the official Year Book of the Church of England (Anglican) for 1959.

**SYDNEY**, Australia (RNS) — Half of all recorded gifts by Australian Taxation Department show.

**LONDON** (RNS) — A 12th century copy of the Helmstaedt Latin Gospels and Eusebian Canons was bought here for 39,000 pounds (\$109,200), the highest sterling price ever paid at auction for a rare manuscript.

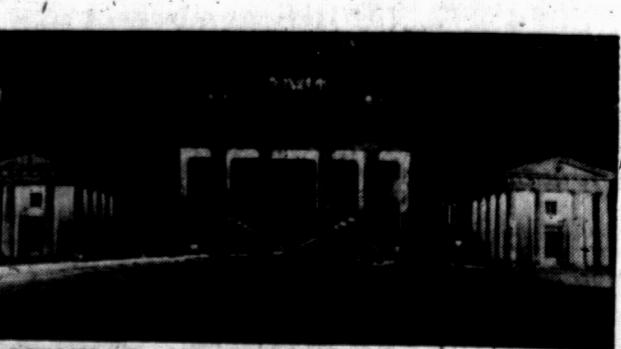
**BOSTON** (RNS) — Raising \$3,000,000 to \$5,000,000 for the extension of its program and service is planned by the American Unitarian Association. The fund campaign is the largest ever undertaken by the Unitarians.

**PHILADELPHIA** (RNS) — A mass rally attended by 1,500 persons highlighted observances here marking the 150th anniversary of American Methodism's first constitution.

## Many Catholic Emigrants From Spain Lose Faith

**MADRID** (RNS) — More than 35 per cent of Spanish Catholic emigrants lose their religion and in some countries of adoption the proportion reaches as high as 93 per cent, according to the director of the Spanish Catholic Emigration Commission.

Msgr. Fernando Ferris was interviewed by Ya, Madrid Catholic daily, on the occasion of the annual Emigrants Day observed in parishes throughout the country. He said the leakage from the Church was one of the greatest causes of concern to the Commission which provides emigrants with spiritual as well as material aid.



BERLIN — Brightly illuminated by searchlights, the famed Brandenburg Gate looms impressively in the night in East Berlin. The gate stands in the Eastern sector of the city, just across the border from West Berlin. Through the gate can be seen the lights of "17th of June" Street in West Berlin.



THIRTY-SIX MEN, pictured above, were in attendance at the Brotherhood supper recently held at Plymouth Church, Columbus, Rev. James L. Fletcher, Jr., pastor. According to their President, J. C. Davis, the enrollment is now 22.



**BEULAH CHURCH** of Smith Association on Nov. 30 dedicated their pastor's home debt free, and burned the note. Rev. G. E. Jolley, Superintendent of Missions of Smith Association, and Rev. Percy M. Cooper, pastor at Raleigh, were the inspirational speakers. The note was burned at the pastor's home by the deacons, C. H. Fortenberry, Chairman, Abb Purvis, Ralph Moore, Hilton Lee, Ruby Searcy and Jim Richardson. Rev. Earl Wells is pastor.

— BORDENTOWN, N. J. (RNS) — "It's good to be back," Mother Charitas said after returning from her first trip in 32 years outside the St. Clare's monastery here. Mother Charitas and Mother Mary Maddalena had left briefly to participate in an Evansville, Ind., meeting of representatives of Poor Clare monasteries. Of their experience outside the cloister, the nuns said only that they found the trains had been streamlined and, as far as new automobiles were concerned they are "too low" for comfort.

— NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) — The Readers' Digest, 1959 issue, carries an article "Lend Me a Cup of Sugar," by Hubert Kelly of West Nyack, New York. The article is condensed from the June, 1958 issue of *Home Life*.

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary's student evangelistic group will be able to send revival teams to churches next summer. Dr. Joseph Stiles, director of field work activities at the seminary, said the group is composed of many "capable and dedicated men."

## Alcohol Education Council

### To Hold 12th Annual Meet

The twelfth annual meeting of the Mississippi Church Council for Alcohol Education will be held January 8, at Rose Hill Episcopal Center near Allison's Wells. It has been announced by the Rev. Charles T. Chambers, Jr., of Clarksdale, Council President.

#### Business Session

After luncheon, the Council business session will feature the admission of the State YMCA to Council membership, the hearing of financial reports, reports from the Executive Secretaries, Rev. James S. Conner and Rev. C. M. Day, — and election of Council Officers and Standing Committees for 1959. The report of the Committee on Policy, to be made by Mrs. C. C. Clark, Chairman, of the State Library Commission in Jackson, will present the session, said the Rev. Mr. Chambers.

The Rev. M. T. Engle, pastor of All Saints' Episcopal Church, Grenada, will present "Physical and Psychological Aspects of Drinking." Dr. R. R. Pearce, Professor of Sociology at Mississippi College, Clinton, will present "Sociological Aspects of Drinking."

The Rev. T. Russell Nunan, pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Greenville, will present "The Development of Alcoholism," and the Rev. Robert Anding, Professor of Religion at Millsaps College, Jackson, will present "Moral and Spiritual Aspects of Drinking." Dr. Maddox will then develop with

#### In Solitude

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## Off The Record

An old bachelor was asked which he thought were the happier, people who were married or those who were not.

"Well, I don't know," he replied, "sometimes I think there is as many as is that ain't and as ain't that is."

The comrades are appalled at the ignorance of the downtrodden American wage slave — seems he thinks "Workers, arise" means the coffee break is over.

Fisherman: "Once I caught a fish that was three yards long. I never saw such a fish."

Friend: "I believe you!" — Bruce Altman.

Bob Hawk, the quiz emcee, asked a contestant to "name a great timesaver."

"Love at first sight," she replied. — Paul Denis

"If Minnie in Indian means water, what does Minnesota mean?"

"Aw, that's easy! It means sota water."

She: "I'm looking forward to my 30th birthday."

He: "You're looking the wrong way."

New Stenographer: "I've been saving a lot of time lately."

Veteran: "How's that?"

N. S.: "I found out that the dictionary is in alphabetical order."

A little girl was telling of her hospital experience where she had an appendectomy. "They told me it would not hurt and then they stuck a needle in my arm and I disappeared."

Miserable-looking woman riding horseback through the barren desert: "It is a wonderful vacation and I am enjoying it. It is a wonderful vacation and I am enjoying it. IT IS A WONDERFUL . . ." — Corka



FIRST CHURCH, SENATORIA has paid \$7,830.00 interest to over 125 members who bought Church Interest Certificates to finance their new church building. "It's the best system I've ever seen for financing a church building program," says Dr. W. Clyde Martin, pastor. Under this system the church plans to liquidate \$20,000 per year of their building indebtedness. C. S. Baker, extreme right, is shown presenting Carolyn Cox with her interest check. Next to Mr. Conwell, Billy Payne and Jimmy Aiken.

## Non-Catholics May Open Italy Churches

ROME (RNS) — Italy's Constitutional Court ruled here that non-Catholic religious groups in this country may open churches, oratories and other places of worship from now on without prior government permission.

The issue was raised before the court by the Rev. Francesco Rauti, an Assemblies of God minister, who allegedly had been harassed by local authorities for opening places of worship without previous authorization. Three lawyers appeared before the court and claimed for Evangelicals the right of "strict application of constitutional principles" granting free

people have the right freely to practice their religion in any form.

This article, the court stated, said that all individuals or groups may spread their beliefs and follow them, in private or public, provided their rites are not contrary to public morals.

The court rejected, at the same time, the principle that the appointment of non-Catholic ministers must be approved by the government because they perform marriage and other ceremonies, which must have the force of official acts.

## Pays Rent With A Song

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Church paid its annual rent with a song on Christmas Day. Members of the Ukrainian congregation which meets at Washington Cathedral (Episcopal) in the Chapel of St. Joseph of Arimathea, pending erection of its own house of worship in the nation's capital, said "thank you" to the Cathedral by singing Ukrainian carols at the evensong service at 4 p.m. on Christmas Day. The service included a ceremony of "The Kiss of Peace," an ancient Christian practice long lost by Western Christianity.